



Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education

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Ms. Ruth E. Ryder, Director
Monitoring and State Improvement Planning Division (MSIP)
Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP)
550 12th Street SW
Washington, DC 20202

Dear Ms. Ryder:

The *Missouri Part C FFY 2006 SPP/APR Status Table* received from the Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP) on April 7, 2008, has been reviewed. Following is our response items identified under the heading "Status of APR Data/SPP Revision Issues."

Indicator 3:

OSEP indicated that Missouri did not provide a list of the instruments used to gather data for this indicator.

Missouri Response:

The state has added that information in the SPP on page 12. In addition, OSEP may view the *Missouri Early Childhood Outcomes Tool* at the following web address:
<http://www.dese.mo.gov/divspeced/ECOTraining.html>

Indicators 10, 11, 13:

OSEP indicated that Missouri did not attach Table 4 to the APR submission.

Missouri Response:

Table 4 is attached with this email.

The final item identified with the *Status Table* refers to the state's public reporting of the FFY 2005 performance of local programs. In that report, the state did not report performance by local programs for Indicator 8A, 8B, and 8C because valid data by individual local programs was not

available. Missouri assured OSEP that data for this indicator would be available for the FFY 2006 local program reports. The FFY 2006 local reports by region are available for view at http://dese.mo.gov/divspeced/FirstSteps/documents/SPP_Data_SPOE_PubRprtng.pdf and are attached to this email for OSEP's review.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Heidi Atkins Lieberman".

Heidi Atkins Lieberman, Assistant Commissioner
Division of Special Education

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